

Four of D.E. Club Attain State and National Offices

Two Joplin Junior College students were elected to state offices at the Distributive Education convention March 10-11 in Jefferson City. Jackie Treat is the new state historian and Arlene Marrs the state parliamentarian. Ed Showalter and Bob Braxton were elected as delegates to the national convention to be held in April at Richmond, Virginia.

Joplin Junior College rated first place in all of the contests entered. Louis Cowan, Ed Showalter, Janice Hargis, and Syl Adkins represented J.J.C. in the window display contest. Arlene Marrs and Ed Showalter were active in public speaking, also.

Thursday morning the students participated in a tour of the State Capitol, the Governor's mansion, and the Algoa reformatory. A banquet was held Thursday night at which James R. Stratton, distributive education director, acted as master of ceremonies.

Dr. Pat Wardlow, Commissioner of Vocational Education, was guest speaker at the banquet. A feature of this session was the style show in which Janice Hargis, Jackie Treat, Arlene Marrs, and Margaret Daugherty participated.

The highlights Friday were the contests.

The ten J.J.C. students who attended the convention are Syl Adkins, Arlene Marrs, Louis Cowan, Ed Showalter, Janice Hargis, Barbara Rogers, Rex Rogers, Bob Braxton, Jackie Treat, and Margaret Daugherty.

NAM Representative Outlines Prospects

Freeman Johnson, mayor of Joplin, spoke in assembly March 23. His speech was "What is Ahead For College Graduates? Industry's Concept as to What They Could and Should Look Forward to in Industry." Mr. Johnson represented the National Association of Manufacturers, who presented the assembly particularly for the business students.

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Wife of Dr. Stephens, Alumni President, Dies Unexpectedly

Mrs. Jerry Stephens, wife of Dr. James E. Stephens, died Saturday morning, March 12, in Jane Chinn Hospital at Webb City, Missouri.

Even though Mrs. Stephens did not attend J.J.C., she was an enthusiastic friend of the College. She participated in many activities and always assisted the Alumni Board and Dr. Stephens, president of the Alumni Association.

Besides her husband, she leaves two children, Julia Ann and James Jeffries.

Senior Leaders to Visit J.C. Thursday

The third annual Citizenship Day will be held here at Joplin Junior next Thursday, March 31. The day is a project of the Good Will Committee of the Chamber of Commerce who invites the outstanding senior boy and girl of each high school in the district to attend.

The seniors will be welcomed to the College Thursday morning by Dr. Maurice L. Litton. Short talks will be given by several members of the faculty and then the students will be shown around.

The best boy and girl citizens are chosen from each school for their merits in service, leadership, personality, and scholarship, but they are not necessarily the valedictorians.

Last year 34 students attended the honor day and seven of them are attending J.J.C. this semester.

The outstanding citizens will represent six counties of the district: Barry, Barton, Lawrence, Newton, Jasper, and McDonald.

Two Religious Assemblies Set For Easter Week

Two assemblies will be held in observance of Easter. The first will be a speaker sponsored by the Joplin Ministerial Alliance and the second will be the ninth annual Easter assembly put on by the Y.W.C.A.

The Y.W.C.A. will present a play, "The Challenge of the Cross" at 11 o'clock, Wednesday, April 7. The story revolves around an angel sent down from heaven to enlist disciples, five of whom are unworthy because they wish to bear a cross of their own choosing.

Members of the play cast are Alice Bauman, Marcia Jones, Audree Morgan, Joyce Connelly, Nancy Nearing, Kay Roland, and Marie Jeffries. Background music will be sung by a choir composed of Pat Holland, Myrna Goode, Toby Baker, Eleanor Damer, Rose Gallemore, Barbara Juhnke, and Elizabeth Robards.

Following the play, the Lord's Prayer will be presented in modern dance. The dancers are Betty Board, Linda Spangler, Suzanne Jackson, Jackie Treat, and Elese Frazier.

The play will be directed by Marie Jeffries and the dance by Patty Gray. Miss Martha McCormick, one of the Y.W.C.A. sponsors, is in charge of the assembly.

Four-Day Easter Vacation

Easter vacation at Joplin Junior College will begin at the close of class sessions on Thursday, April 7. Classes will reconvene on Tuesday, April 12.

Janice Hargis To Receive Title 'Miss Queensize'

Janice Hargis will reign as "Miss Queensize of 1955." Chosen by B. H. Dean Inc., creators of Queensize Diamond rings, she leaves Joplin today to take her throne at the Kansas Jewelers' Convention, being held Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, in Wichita.

Selected over entrants of college age from 500 cities in 11 midwestern states, Janice will be hostess for B. H. Dean Inc. at the convention, and will be featured in their television shows and newspaper and magazine advertisements. Later, she will also represent them at the national convention.

Janice's name was submitted to the Queensize contest by her employers Mr. and Mrs. Larry McKee, who saw how well she fulfilled the qualifications, "personable, charming, and intelligent."

Mr. and Mrs. McKee and Janice will make the trip to Wichita by car.

Dale Bebee Takes Air Academy Exams

Dale Bebee, freshman from Neosho, journeyed last week to Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma, to take examinations in conjunction with his nomination as candidate to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Representative Thomas Hennings notified Bebee of the nomination to the newly-formed Academy which will open to classes next September.

Business Honor Society to Hold Initiation for 16

Sixteen will be initiated into Pi Alpha Pi, at 7:30 tonight in the College library. Students to be initiated include the following:

Billy Joe Weaver, Oronogo; Jack Armstrong, Diamond; Betty Board, Webb City; Phyllis Brooks, Webb City; Jimmie Donoho, Neosho; Orin Fettler, Joplin; Ann Hickam, Webb City; Barbara Juhnke, Joplin; Camille Kimes, Joplin; James LePage, Sarcoxie; Arlene Marrs, Carterville; Jackie Treat, Carthage; Barbara Joan Ward, Joplin; Jo Ann Williams, Reeds; Glen Dwane Wilson, Joplin; LaDonna Wilson, Joplin.

The purpose of Pi Alpha Pi is to promote scholarship, to create an interest in and understanding of the business world, and to encourage each member to develop himself to a higher level of leadership, personality, and service.

To be eligible for election to membership, a student must either be enrolled in Pre-Business Administration, General Business, or Distributive Education; or, if enrolled in any curriculum other than those, he must be carrying at least six credit hours of business subjects in one semester. Furthermore, he must have a grade point average of 2.0 and be carrying an accumulative average of 12 hours per week.

Joplin Officials Go To Accrediting Meet

Dr. Maurice L. Litton, dean of Joplin Junior College, left Wednesday, March 23, to attend the annual meeting of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Roy W. Greer, principal of Joplin High School, accompanied him to the meeting which will end today.

"Enduring Values in Education" was the program theme for the sixtieth annual conference of the regional accrediting agency.

National Arts and Science Honor Fraternity Admits 21 in Candlelight Ceremony



(courtesy of the Globe)

From left to right, the 1954-55 Phi Theta Kappa members include:

First row - - - Marie Jeffries, Shirley Kirby, LaDonna Wilson

Joyce Connelly, Elizabeth Robards, Joanna Green, Helen Barbee, Joanne Furner, Jean Johnson, Mary Rutherford, Eleanor Damer and Shirley Costley.

Second row - - - Bob Bretches, Bob Bridger, Allan Kirch, J. B. Tucker, John Webb, Jack Armstrong, Kay Roland, Ruth McKenney, Joan Boyd, Valeria Fle-

sher, Judith Wallace, Ron Richardson, Charles Garde, Dan Jackson, Gerald McDaniel, Roger Davis and Gilbert Davidson.

Those not present when the picture was taken are Jerry Evans, Larry Pigg, Patty Deatherage and Betty Jarvis.

Easter With All Its Joy Is The Cornerstone of Christianity

Easter with all its signs of joy embodies one of the most beautiful and outstanding feasts of Christianity. This great miracle comprises the cornerstone of Christianity. For, if Christ had not risen from the dead, as he predicted, he would not be the Son of God. Only God, the Giver of Life, could have returned glorious and immortal from the tomb.

Rejoicing surrounds Easter for Christ's dramatic and irrefutable Resurrection proved beyond words His divinity. Joy and Thanksgiving are ours at Easter. Joy will remain ours as long as we make a sincere effort to live by the principles for which Christ expired on the Cross. May the Spirit of Easter be with us always.

What Is Prayer?

During this Lenten season with the nearness of Easter and the colorful array of spring colors our thoughts turn to Christ and prayer and Easter Sunday.

We sometimes become skeptical and disillusioned when we pray, especially when we pray for something and think God doesn't answer us.

Margaret Blair Johnstone, well-known minister and marriage counselor, states in the March 1955 issue of Reader's Digest that "Many people no longer pray because of what they call disillusionment. 'What's the use of praying?' they say. 'God did not answer.'

"We seldom realize that disillusionment, the freedom from false belief, is the healthiest experience possible, particularly for those who have considered God a kind of Santa Claus who by prayer can be plagued into giving us what we want.

"What then is prayer? One of the most helpful definitions was stated ages ago by Clement of Alexandria: 'Prayer is conversation with God.' So few of us understand prayer because we don't make it conversation. We deliver an ultimatum.

"When disappointments come, there are two things we must question before we question God or His purposes. No matter how great our longing or how fervently we pray, when God says no, we must question our desires and ourselves. Many times we should ask not what is wrong with our prayers but what is wrong with us.

"Thomas Edison said, 'We don't know the millionth part of one percent about anything. We don't know what water is. We don't know what heat is. We don't know what electricity is. We have a lot of hypotheses about these things, but that is all. But we do not let our ignorance about these things deprive us of their use.'

So it is with prayer. We really don't know the millionth part of one percent about it. But what we do know is enough to enable us to use it, and, through it, to let God use us.

Joplin High Displays Art in Library

Forty paintings by Joplin Senior High School students are on display in the Junior College library. The paintings were entered in the contest sponsored by Scholastic magazine and were exhibited in the Emery-Bird-Thayer Department Store in Kansas City. Three of the winning paintings were sent to the national finals in Pittsburgh,

Pennsylvania.

These amateur students show skill in the use of color, design, and materials. Wax paintings in contemporary style and dress design illustrations are two of the highlights of the exhibit.

The library is open from 7:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. for the convenience of all persons interested in viewing art talent on display.



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Medium's Digest

by Zu Zu

Welcome, followers. The "medium" has just received some new information from the collegiate "spirit world" outside our J.J.C. realm.

Native of Lithuania Especially Prizes Freedom

Freedom is valued by most persons, but it's especially prized by Mrs. Grazina Amonas, Lindenwood's new instructor in physical education, who has spent much of her life in countries where there was no freedom.

After obtaining her master's degree at the University of Kaunas in Lithuania, her native country, Mrs. Amonas found herself living in the conditions we of the free world have never known. She has actually experienced the fear that the next family forced into prison or deportation might be her own. She has watched the Russians imprison her neighbors - father, mother, children, all separated. She has seen members of her family scatter unwillingly and her brother disappear while imprisoned in a German concentration camp. She has known what it was like to live on a potato a day for weeks.

Having lived in the United States since 1948, Mrs. Amonas says what she likes about America is "Freedom." Upon her arrival, she was amazed to find she did not have to register with the police as she would have in many foreign countries. Mrs. Amonas is particularly interested in the Constitution of the United States.

Lindenwood Foreign Girls Say U.S. Colleges Easier

"Colleges in the United States are much easier than the ones in our countries." This was the unanimous opinion of L. C.'s four seniors from other lands -- Elizabeth Finlow, England; Madeleine Walter, France; Nuran Baydan, Turkey; and Toahiko Morikawa, Japan.

All four girls agreed that, besides being easier, our schools are less formal, and have more social life than the colleges they attended in their countries.

Elizabeth Finlow, of Cheshire, England, says that people here live faster than in England, and that they don't seem to have as much time for leisure.

Madeleine Walter, of Strasbourg, France, says the French schools are so much different from our schools that it is hard to make a comparison. The professors help students more here. She also said, "People here are more friendly than at home, and I like that very much."

Toshiko Morikawa, of Japan, says the schools in Japan have higher standards and that they have more time for extracurricular reading than here. Toshiko thinks the standard of living is much higher here than in Japan, and that the United States is much more colorful both in dress and in landscape. She said the girls in Japan never wear costume jewelry, but they wear real diamonds and pearls if they have them, or no jewelry at all. "The girls in Japan would never think of going on a blind date," says Toshiko. "They don't know what it is." Japanese social life is centered more at home than at colleges, and they know boys very well before going with them.

Nuran Baydan, of Turkey, says, "A college graduate in the United States would not be considered

How We Can Help To Get Another Junior College Building

How badly do we want another Junior College building? April 5 Joplin will vote upon a proposed \$2,050,000 bond issue, which if approved will enable the city to erect a new senior high school building. The general talk is that the outgrown housing of the high school will then be deeded to the Junior College, accommodating our 450 enrollment much more comfortably and much more safely than our present location.

Our problems we know full well. But, have we shown them to others? Recently, after witnessing one of our assemblies, an influential citizen registered shock when told that our enrollment exceeds 450. The meager number of students in attendance at assembly had led her astray, and we now see how we may have been helping our citizens decide that bond issue. Anyone could rightly conclude that the present building adequately provides for 45.

Many of the foremost leaders in the community view our assemblies regularly and say much for the fine performances. The majority of our student leaders not only see opportunities for their own educational advancement there, but they also fulfill their obligations as leaders by setting a good example in being present. They certainly are to be commended for their regular attendance which seems to speak so loudly to our elders. In fact, the only criticism we can make of our top student officials and of our faculty is that they have been too courteous and too timid about calling our thoughtlessness to the attention of the rest of us.

Last Sunday's Globe carried an effective, lengthy editorial favoring the expansion program. The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce and the City Council, along with many other civic groups, have gone on record favoring the issues. Let's show these people that we appreciate their efforts. Let's go on record with them. Let's show our patrons that we are 405 more than 45---and that we DO need another building.

Fashion Trends

This spring, as in years before, fashions are in the news. Styles have changed, new colors are in the spotlight, and modern synthetic fabrics have taken the place of the old standbys, cotton and wool.

Dresses this year are characterized by a dropped waistline, emphasized hip, and longer torso, very reminiscent of the shapeless flapper model of the "roaring 20's." 1955's dresses are far from shapeless, however. Famous couturiers Ann Fogarty, Jacques Fath, and Dior have emphasized the tight bodice and full skirt, producing a more feminine silhouette.

Navy is again the number one color for suits and dresses with beiges, tans, and browns almost equally popular. Coats, however, lean away from dark colors and are fashioned in pastel shades and brilliant colors such as gold and chartreuse.

Contrast in an ensemble is no longer good taste. An outfit, dress, gloves, hat, purse, and even jewelry should be in one color, perhaps in different shades.

Jewelry is most important for the well-dressed woman's appearance. Rope beads worn with all dress clothes, suits, dresses, and formal attire, are very much in vogue. Frilly hats with much veil, sparkle, and trim will be seen on the well-dressed woman this spring.

The all-over trend in women's clothes is toward femininity, whether achieved by style or color. Dresses, hats, gloves, shoes, and jewelry are brighter and more cheerful, adding up to a more chic and well-dressed American woman.

a college graduate in Turkey. I would have to get my master's here to compare with a college graduate at home. The Turkish schools are more rapid and extensive than they are here, and our high schools correspond with junior colleges here. She added, however, that there were many more colleges and opportunities to attend college in the United States

Mrs. Spangler Lends Book Of Spanish Poems to Library

A copy of "Spanish Poems of Love" has been placed in the library by Mrs. Lillian Spangler, foreign language instructor. The poems were recently translated into English by Dr. Mildred E. Johnson, an assistant professor of Spanish, at the University of Missouri.

Dr. Johnson, who has a highly specialized and rare gift of translating poems literally and yet accurately, has captured the style and spirit of many great Spanish poets, and translated them into excellent English verse.

Student Gives Goose Egg To Mr. Willey

Floyd Jones, one of James Willey's qualitative chemistry students, vowed last fall that he would give Mr. Willey a goose egg if it were the last thing he ever did. His reasons were to let Mr. Willey know how it felt to get a goose egg.

Jones felt sorry for those students who received goose eggs on chemistry exams and reasoned that if Mr. Willey received one himself, he might possibly go a little easier on examinations.

Jones brought in a goose egg from his farm and presented it to Mr. Willey. It measured 23 cm in circumference the long way and 19 the short way and weighed 182 grams. This proved to be the biggest goose egg Mr. Willey ever received, including those given him in exams at the University of Kansas.

Henderson Explains Credit To Retail Class

Mark Henderson, manager of the Joplin Retail Credit Bureau, spoke to the Retailing Practices and Conferences class on "Growth of Credit in American Economy and Development of the Credit Bureau," Tuesday, March 8.

Mr. Henderson explained the reasons why there is credit and what the individual customer can do to keep his credit rating good.

College Musicians Participate In Festival Events

Junior College musicians participated actively in the seventeenth annual Joplin Public Schools Music Festival held March 15 through 18. Ten vocal soloists, two ensembles, four piano soloists, and the College Choir represented J.J.C. in the three-day event in which more than 3,000 students from 59 schools in the area participated.

Dr. Robert M. Taylor of Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, auditioned the College vocal soloists Wednesday night, March 16, in the high school auditorium. They were Louis Cowan, Ruth McKenney, Harold Manker, Robert G. Bacon, Fred Land, Bill Nickel, Rose Gallemore, Sue Cookerly, Suzanne Jackson, and Toby Jean Baker. Also on this program the Triple Trio and Male Ensemble, composed of college students, received constructive criticism from Dr. Taylor.

Betty Cross, clarinet soloist, played Wednesday night at West Central. Albert D. Schmutz, K.S.T.C., Emporia, was her critic.

Thursday morning, March 17, Elizabeth Robards, Ann Cowan, Eles Frazier, and Toby Jean Baker played piano solos before Dr. Milton H. Rusch of Wisconsin State College, in the high school auditorium.

The College Choir, under the direction of Oliver Sovereign, was the largest college group participating in the festival. Dr. Taylor was their critic as they sang Thursday afternoon at South Junior High School.

Miss Drummond Gives Two Talks to Y.W.C.A.

Miss Edna Drummond, Dean of Women, talked on the subject, "Courtship and Marriage" at the March 9 and 15 meetings of Y.W.C.A. Luncheon Club.

The Y.W.C.A. presented a silver serving tray to Miss Drummond as a token of appreciation for the many years she has spoken to their organization.

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Frankel and Ryder Demonstrate Creative Dance

Emily Frankel and Mark Ryder, husband and wife modern dance team, presented a delightful and informative assembly program Wednesday, March 9, in the college auditorium. The team entertained a large crowd of students

New Boys' Ensemble Sings at Lion's Club

A newly-formed musical group at J.J.C., the Male Ensemble, made its debut at a meeting of the Lions' club March 8 along with an appearance of the Triple Trio.

The ensemble, composed of John Tyler, Louis Cowan, Leroy Chapman, Ron Richardson, Fred Land, Don Henson, J.T. Goodman, Robert Bacon, Scotty Chamberlain, Harold Manker, Keith Sovereign, and Carl Taylor, sang "Surrey With The Fringe On Top," "The Gospel Train," and "Sophomoric Philosophy."

Selections presented by the Triple Trio were "Italian Street Song," "Babylon," and "Cobblers Jig."

The Male Ensemble also appeared with the J.J.C. Choir, March 10, at the teachers conference at South Junior High School. They sang "Sophomoric Philosophy."

The Choir and Triple Trio, under the direction of Oliver Sovereign, gave a performance at the March meeting of the Rotary Club in the Connor Hotel.

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and guests describing their dancing techniques and illustrating their techniques in their dancing.

Frankel and Ryder began their program speaking informally to the audience, first telling about the career and background of one another. Then the team explained their theory of the combination ballet and dramatic dance which they originated saying, "We feel dancers must be thinking about the ideas they are trying to communicate if the audience is to understand the meaning behind the dance."

Mark Ryder demonstrated this point by doing a simple walk and rock ballet step, first without thought and then redoing the step with a definite situation in mind. The first step appeared blank and colorless while the second dramatized step brought out their theory as it communicated the realization of someone's being chased to the audience.

Following a duo by the team, Emily Frankel dramatized a lovely lady who killed her lover after desperate attempts to keep the imagined lover from leaving her. The solo dance ended as the lovely lady depicted justified herself for her deed.

A story of both humor and horror was the next attraction as the team dramatized the changing of a sophisticated woman, Emily Frankel, into a limp useless puppet by a person who was already in that state, Mark Ryder.

Their finale was the story of a woman's life as she was born, grew into womanhood, loved, matured into old age and died. In this ballet dramatization, Ryder, playing the part of a spirit, led the woman, Frankel, through life.

Between numbers one of the team explained to the audience the impression which they were trying to communicate. This was done with the exception of the finale after which they asked the audience to give their impressions. The correct impression was received by many in the audience showing the ability of the performers to carry out their theory of performer-audience communication.

The team again spoke informally with the audience following their dancing, requesting persons in the audience to ask them questions about their dancing or about themselves. At this point, Arnold Irwin rocked the auditorium with laughter as he asked Mrs. Ryder, "Where did he pick you up?" Mr. Irwin meant to ask Mrs. Ryder, "Why did he pick you up?" referring to a portion of the last dance depicting a woman's life.

Mrs. Ryder, who was a bit flustered, straightened out the misunderstanding tactfully. The dance team, who in private life are Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ryder, began dancing together in 1949. Their first season, in which they created the program, costumes and scenery, and booked and managed themselves, culminated in a highly successful New York debut. They were received with such acclaim that they rapidly became the most popular concert duo in the country.

Each season their tours have become greater. In these last five years, they have performed in 200 cities, for six weeks in Israel, at Jacob's Pillow, New London American dance festival, and in dancers and co-producers of the Dance Drama Company.

W.U.S. Speaker To Talk March 30

Peyton Short from Dallas, Texas, will speak at an assembly next Wednesday about the work of the World University Service. According to Miss Vera Steininger, Y.W.C.A. sponsor, "the purpose of the World University Service is to help foreign students with their struggle to obtain an education." Girls with collection plates will be at the door, so that everyone will have an opportunity to contribute.

Y.W.C.A. and Y.M.C.A. groups will sell apples and shine shoes as a part of the World University fund-raising campaign. Tuesday, March 29, will be set aside by the Y.W. as "Apple Munch Day," The Y.M. will shine shoes, charging a specific fee for one shoe and an extra amount for more than one.

Reservations Coming In for 1955 Banquet

Several reservations for the Alumni-Student banquet, to be held May 6 in the Empire Room of the Connor Hotel, have already come in, according to Miss Dorothy Stone.

One thousand invitations to the annual affair, sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Student Senate, have been sent to former students. Reservations for the banquet can be obtained from Miss Stone or the other Alumni sponsors, Orie Cheatham and James Willey, or from any member of the Student Senate.

Story of a Semester

(In Two Parts)

"Study, study," that's my motto,
Maybe just because I oughto;
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Hillosopher's Corner

Jackie Cox

Springtime in hilosopher's corner brings about a familiar disease, spring fever. We don't mind this though. It gives us a chance to sit down and talk about baseball, another thing that springtime brings.

Now that we talk baseball we get involved with a large number of questions. Will the Cardinals beat out the other clubs for the pennant? Will Stan Musial win the batting crown? Can Harvey Haddix win 200 games? Of course, we discuss the possibilities of the Kansas City Athletics.

Down here in hilosopher's corner we don't make predictions; we only talk. So with a good case of spring fever, and a bunch of questions, we will probably sit here until Harry Carey comes on with his, "swung on and there it goes." Well, here I go - - -

My bit of hilosophy for this time is "Never get so high up that you can't take the shock out of a fall by bending your knees."

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Cagemen Beat Wentworth Cadets To Open Tourney

Joplin Junior College, aided by the marksmanship of the Lions' center, Eddie Nealy, who posted a 32-point performance in the Juco loopsters' 83-61 win over Wentworth Military Academy, moved into semifinal play of the Region 16 Tournament, March 2-4, at Moberly, Missouri.

Nealy bucketed 23 of his 32 points in the first half and added the other nine early in the second period. Forward Dick Hammond was second with 13 points.

Before the Wentworth five realized the quick starts handed out by the Lions, the Cadets trailed 7-0 and were never able to overcome the all-powerful cagemen of Joplin. Score at half-time was a wide 43-19 spread.

All nine members of the Joplin squad saw action and all shared in point-making. The win set the Lions against Moberly in the semifinal playoffs.

Golf, Tennis, and Track To Be Main Spring Attractions

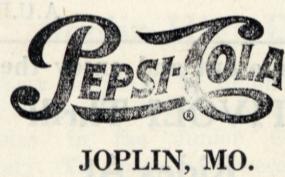
Coach Dudley Stegge called a meeting March 9 in the College auditorium to determine who would like to participate in tennis, golf, and track, the three main sports attractions in store for this spring.

The golf and tennis teams will consist of members chosen by a process of elimination. Players are paired and will compete against each other with the winners making up the team. All interested in track will see action as the number coming out is limited.

Juco uses the four-man team in golf, instead of the six-man squad usually required for the sport. According to Coach Stegge, tennis will consist of the regulation number of players. Track will be the smallest group for its type of events. The total expected to show for track will probably not exceed half a dozen.

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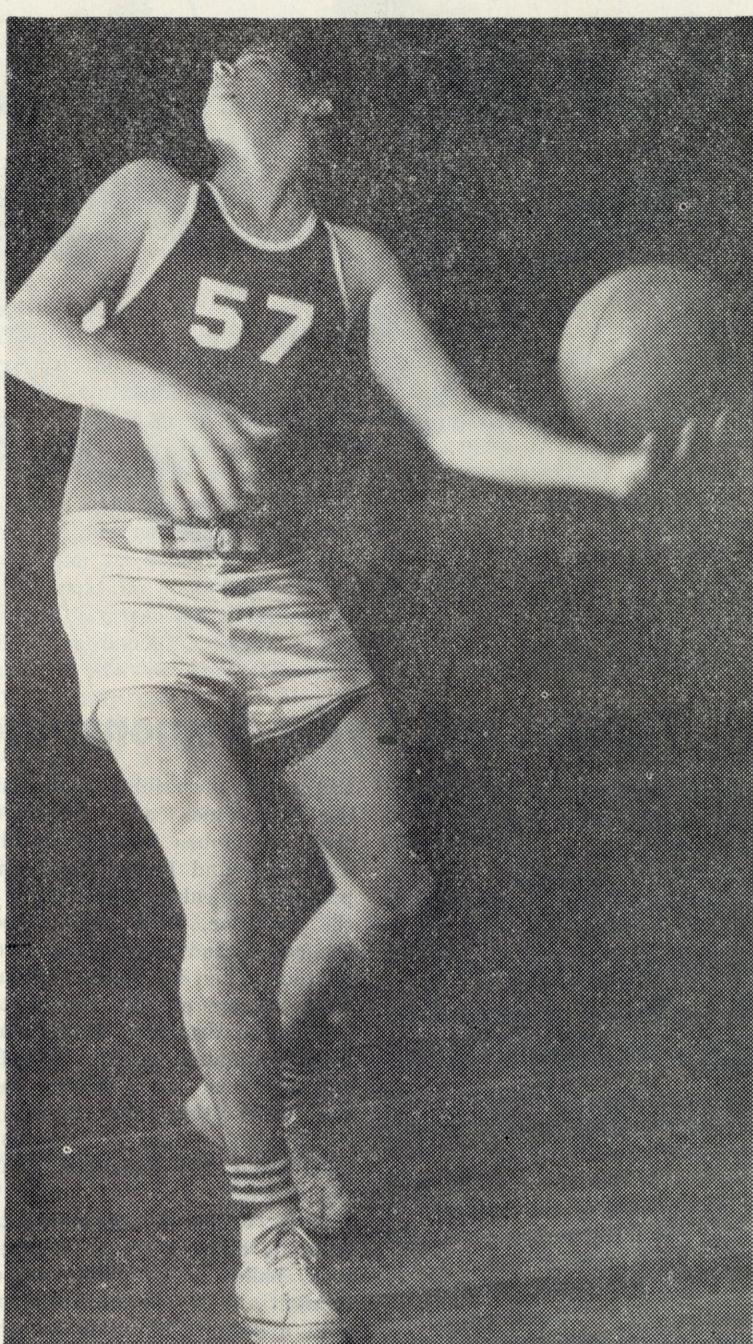
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Ron Richardson, Dick Hammond Hit 22 Points Each

Third place honors of the Region 16 Tournament fell in the hands of Joplin Junior College as the Lions, paced by forwards Ron Richardson and Dick Hammond, stopped Jefferson City, 82-72, in the basketball tournament, March 2-4, held at Moberly, Missouri.

Richardson and Hammond, a pair of recent starters, each netted 22 points in the third-place scramble. Center Ed Nealy dropped in 13 points to bring his total for the year to 492 points. Guards Ralph Brock and Drexel Harris each contributed ten points to the victory.

Jumping to an early 7-2 lead, Buddy Ball's cagers were never headed and held a 46-31 advantage at the half. Early in the second stanza, the locals moved ahead to a 25-point margin which was the largest edge held by the Lions in the game.

The victory wrapped up cage play at the College and gave the Lions a record of 11 wins to 12 setbacks.

Lions Defeated In Semifinals, 87-70

Unable to overcome the powerful Greyhounds of Moberly, Joplin was defeated in the semifinals of the Region 16 Tournament, 87-70, by Moberly, Missouri, March 5 on the Greyhounds' home court where the college basketball tournament was held.



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